ESSEX INSURANCE CO
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Â MARKEL CORP

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4521 HIGHWOODS PARKWAY

(Street)

GLEN ALLEN,Â VAÂ 23060

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)
08/02/2011

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
INVESTORS TITLE CO [ITIC]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director __X__ 10% Owner
_____ Officer _____ Other
(give title below) (specify below)

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
_X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	152,600	I	by Essex Insurance Company (1) (4)
Common Stock	42,200	I	by Evanston Insurance Company (2) (4)
Common Stock	18,500	I	by Markel American Insurance Company (3) (4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (*e.g.*, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MARKEL CORP 4521 HIGHWOODS PARKWAY GLEN ALLEN,Â VAÂ 23060	Â	Â X	Â	Â
ESSEX INSURANCE CO 4521 HIGHWOODS PARKWAY GLEN ALLEN,Â VAÂ 23060	Â	Â X	Â	Â
EVANSTON INSURANCE CO 4521 HIGHWOODS PARKWAY GLEN ALLEN,Â VAÂ 23060	Â	Â X	Â	Â
Markel American Insurance Co 4521 HIGHWOODS PARKWAY GLEN ALLEN,Â VAÂ 23060	Â	Â X	Â	Â

Signatures

/s/ Linda S. Rotz, Authorized Officer on behalf of Markel Corporation, Essex Insurance Company, Evanston Insurance Company and Markel American Insurance Company — 08/12/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person — Date

Explanation of Responses:

***** If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

****** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) These shares are owned directly by Essex Insurance Company, an insurance company subsidiary of Markel Corporation ("Markel").

(2) These shares are owned directly by Evanston Insurance Company, an insurance company subsidiary of Markel.

(3) These shares are owned directly by Markel American Insurance Company, an insurance company subsidiary of Markel.

(4) Each reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.

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